Punishment for breach of Jail discipline.

176. ✻MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI (*Tiruvalla*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the total cases of punishment for breach of Jail discipline in 1112 and 1113 respectively; and

(*b*) if there was any increase in the number of such cases in 1113, the reasons for the same?

MR. M. K. NILAKANTA AIYAR (*Chief Secretary to Government*):

(*a*) 1112 ... 102
1113 ... 125

(*b*) The increase is due to the increase in jail population during 1113.

Survey of Shencotta Taluk.

177. ✻MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI (*Tiruvalla*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) when was the soil survey of Shencottah taluk completed;

(*b*) whether any report of the completion of the survey has been submitted to Government; and

(*c*) the action taken by Government in the matter?

MR. K. R. NARAYANA AIYAR (*Director of Agriculture and Fisheries*):

(*a*) Towards the close of 1113 M. E.

(*b*) The report is under preparation by the Bio-Chemist of the Department of Agriculture and Fisheries.

(*c*) In view of the answer to part (*b*), this question does not arise.

MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI: May I know from Government the purpose for which the soil survey of Shencottah taluk was conducted?

MR. K. R. NARAYANA AIYAR: It was with a view to find out the manurial requirements of the soils in the Shencottah taluk.

MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI: May I know why even though the survey was completed in the year 1113, no report has been submitted to Government as yet?

MR. K. R. NARAYANA AIYAR: The report is under preparation. It is a very laborious work to map out the soils showing the distribution of the various plant food ingredients.

Puliyoor Bridge.

178. ✻MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI (*Tiruvalla*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they are aware of the present condition of the Puliyoor Bridge on the Puliyoor-Mannar road;

(*b*) if the answer to part (*a*) is in the affirmative, the steps taken by the Department in the matter; and

(*c*) the steps taken by the Department to open a *junghar* service at the Ittynayarkadavu ferry on the Puliyoor-Mannar road?

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MR. S. SESHA AIYAR (*Deputy Chief Engineer*): (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) & (*c*) An estimate for the reconstruction of the bridge and providing a *junghar* at the said crossing is under scrutiny.

Grant-in-aid Technical Schools.

179. *MR. P. SIVARAMA PILLAI (*Minachil* cum *Todupuzha*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the names of grant-in-aid technical schools, the grants for which were enhanced since the present Director of Industries took charge;

(*b*) the names of their managers and their caste; and

(*c*) the names of such schools which applied for such enhancement of grant and the names of their managers and their caste?

MR. C. KUMARA DAS (*Director of Industries*): (*a*) i. Puthalom Orphanage Industrial School.

(ii) Adventpuram Weaving School.

(*b*) (i) Rev. S. V. Daniel S. I. U. C.

(ii) Mr. P. David - Pulaya (Backward community).

(*c*) * A statement furnishing the information is laid on the table.

Persons appointed by the present Director of Industries.

180. *MR. P. SIVARAMA PILLAI (*Meenachil* cum *Todupuzha*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the names of persons appointed by the present Director of Industries since he took charge;

(*b*) their caste; and

(*c*) the period for which each one was appointed?

MR. C. KUMARA DAS (*Director of Industries*): (*a*), (*b*) and (*c*) A † Statement furnishing the information is laid on the table.

Travancore Minerals Company at Chavara.

181. *MR. KANNANTHODATH K. JANARDHANAN NAIR (*Karunagapalli* cum *Kartikapalli*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the terms on which the Travancore Minerals Company at Chavara is permitted to exploit minerals on the sea coast;

(*b*) whether the terms laid down are strictly followed in exploiting minerals from the 48th to the 55th mile on the sea coast; and

(*c*) whether the authorities concerned inspect the work spot during the process of exploitation, to enforce the terms of agreement?

MR. C. KUMARA DAS (*Director of Industries*): (*a*) The terms are as embodied in the registered lease deed dated the 16th November 1928, executed by the Travancore Minerals Co., Ltd.

(*b*) Yes.

(*c*) Yes.

MR. KANNANTHODATH K. JANARDHANAN NAIR: May I know whether the people of Chavara protested against the exploitation of mineral in that locality?

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† *Vide* Appendix VIII, page 608.

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